

## WARNING 2022 FAIRFAX, VT INFORMATIONAL HEARING & TOWN MEETING ELECTION

The inhabitants of the Town of Fairfax who are legal voters in the ANNUAL TOWN MEETING ELECTION are hereby warned and notified of the Selectboard Public Informational Hearing through ZOOM on Saturday, February 26, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. for the purpose of a presentation on the proposed Town Budget and discussion on ARTICLES 1 through 10 that will be voted upon using the official Australian ballot.

### Information on accessing the remote meeting:

By computer the hearing can be reached at:

zoom.us

Meeting ID: 840 973 9940

Password: 1234

By phone the hearing can be reached at:

Dial: 1-312-626-6799

Meeting ID: 840 973 9940

Password: 1234

Direct link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8409739940>

All ARTICLES 1 through 10 are to be voted upon using the official Australian ballot. The polls will be open on Tuesday, March 1, 2022 at 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Bellows Free Academy, 75 Hunt Street, Fairfax.

- ARTICLE 1 To elect from the legal voters of the Town of Fairfax the following officers:
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| Town Moderator            | One Year Term                          |
| Selectperson              | Three Year Term                        |
| Selectperson              | Two Year Term                          |
| Community Library Trustee | Three Year Term                        |
| First Constable           | Three Year Term                        |
| Cemetery Commissioner     | Five Year Term                         |
| Cemetery Commissioner     | One Year Remaining of a Five-Year Term |
- ARTICLE 2 Shall the registered voters of the Town of Fairfax approve the FY23 Budget, as recommended by the Selectboard, of \$3,883,368 of which \$2,790,820 is to be raised by taxes, \$724,973 by fees associated with the trash contract, and \$367,575 by non-tax revenue?
- ARTICLE 3 Shall the registered voters of the Town of Fairfax authorize \$40,000 annually in expenditures to be raised by taxes for a period of two years to be used as a match for sidewalk and crosswalk grant projects on Main and School Streets?
- ARTICLE 4 Shall the registered voters of the Town of Fairfax establish a reserve fund, to be called the Fire Reserve Fund, to be used for public safety equipment and facilities in accordance with 24 V.S.A. § 2804, and to be funded annually for a period of five years at \$.02 per dollar of the grant list?
- ARTICLE 5 Shall general obligation bonds of the Town of Fairfax in an amount not to exceed One Million One Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Two Hundred Eighteen Dollars (\$1,175,218) subject to reduction from available state and federal construction grants-in-aid and other financial assistance be issued for the purpose of making certain public safety improvements, namely the construction of the addition and improvements to the Fire Station Building, on Town owned lands, located at 15 Goodall St., such improvements estimated to cost One Million One Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Two Hundred Eighteen Dollars (\$1,175,218)?

ARTICLE 6 Shall the registered voters of the Town of Fairfax authorize \$119,519.00 in expenditures to be raised by taxes in support of Fairfax Rescue's operation expenses for emergency medical services coverage?

ARTICLE 7 Shall the registered voters of the Town of Fairfax appropriate a total of \$24,497 to the following social service agencies, pursuant to 24 V.S.A. §2691?

Age Well	\$ 1,800
American Red Cross	\$ 500
Fairfax Cemetery Association	\$ 250
Fairfax Food Shelf	\$ 1,000
Fairfax Historical Society	\$ 2,000
Fairfax Plains Cemetery Association	\$ 250
Franklin County Home Health	\$ 8,998
Franklin County Industrial Development	\$ 500
Franklin Grand Isle Restorative Justice Ctr	\$ 1,000
Friends of Northern Lake Champlain	\$ 500
Green Mt Transit	\$ 2,299
Northwest Unit for Special Investigations	\$ 500
Northwestern Counseling & Support Services	\$ 1,800
VT Association for the Blind	\$ 300
VT Association for Independent Living	\$ 500
VT Family Network	\$ 500
Vermont Green Up Inc.	\$ 300
Voices Against Violence	\$ 1,500
TOTAL:	\$ 24,497

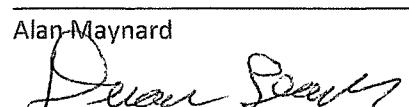
ARTICLE 8 Shall the registered voters of the Town of Fairfax authorize the Selectboard to appoint a first constable and if needed, a second constable, in accordance with 17 V.S.A. § 2651a?

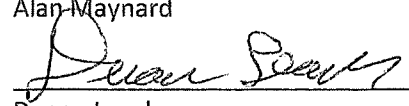
ARTICLE 9 Shall the registered voters of the Town of Fairfax accept the reports of the Town Officers?

ARTICLE 10 Shall the registered voters of the Town of Fairfax authorize the Select Board to place the tax bills in the hands of the Town Treasurer as heretofore?


Dated at Fairfax, County of Franklin, State of Vermont, this 24th day of January 2022.

  
Steve Cormier, Chair

  
Alan Maynard

  
Duane Leach

  
Randy DeVine, Vice Chair

  
Stephen Bessette

  
Attest: Deborah Woodward, Town Clerk/Treasurer

**RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY**  
**FOR**  
**CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT**

WHEREAS, at a meeting of the Selectboard (the Board) of the Town of Fairfax (the Town) on Monday, January 24, 2022, the Board determined that the public interest and necessity demand that improvements be made to the Town's Fire Station Building, specifically, an addition and improvements to the current Fire Station Building on Town owned lands, located at 15 Goodall Street in Fairfax, Vermont, and to pay related professional fees and project costs (the "Project") at an estimated total capital cost of One Million One Hundred Seventy Five Thousand Two Hundred Eighteen Dollars (\$1,175,218);

WHEREAS, the cost of financing the renovations and improvements is too great to be paid out of the Town's ordinary income and revenue;

WHEREAS, bonds of the Town, in an amount not to exceed One Million One Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Two Hundred Eighteen Dollars (\$1,175,218) should be issued for the purpose of paying for the construction of the addition and improvements to the Fire Station Building;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the issuance of bonds of the Town for the renovations and improvements of the Public Safety Facility not to exceed One Million One Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Two Hundred Eighteen Dollars (\$1,175,218) should be submitted to the Town voters at a regular town meeting to be duly warned and held for that purpose on March 1, 2022;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the proposition of incurring bonded debt for this purpose should be submitted to the qualified voters of the Town as follows:

Article 5: Shall general obligation bonds of the Town of Fairfax in an amount not to exceed One Million One Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Two Hundred Eighteen Dollars (\$1,175,218) subject to reduction from available state and federal construction grants-in-aid and other financial assistance be issued for the purpose of making certain public safety improvements, namely the construction of the addition and improvements to the Fire Station Building, on Town owned lands, located at 15 Goodall St., such improvements estimated to cost One Million One Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Two Hundred Eighteen Dollars (\$1,175,218)?

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a vote on said proposition be conducted by Australian ballot at the March 1, 2022 regular meeting to be held at 75 Hunt St. in the Town of Fairfax, at which meeting the polls will open at 7 a.m. and will close at 7 p.m.;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town held a public information hearing on the construction bids and financing proposals including a potential bond proposition on January 24, 2022 via live, Zoom and phone call for the purpose of explaining the

proposed Fire Station Building improvements and the financing thereof, said Zoom information is as follows:

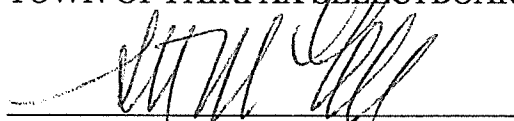
Online at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8409739940>  
MEETING ID: 840 973 9940 PASSCODE: 1234  
CALL IN: 1-646-558-8656


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all acts relating to the proposition of incurring indebtedness bonded and otherwise and the issuance of general obligation bonds of the Town for the Project be in accordance with the provisions of Chapters 55 and 57 of Title 24, Vermont Statutes Annotated; and

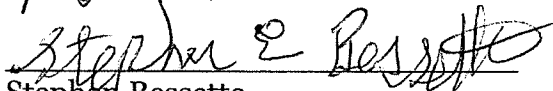
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the attached Warning is specifically adopted for use in connection with consideration of the above-stated proposition of making said public improvements and incurring bonded indebtedness therefor. Form of ballot shall be available from the Town Clerk's Office consistent with Vermont law.


Dated this 24<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2022

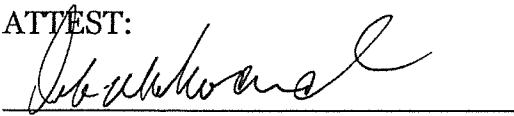
TOWN OF FAIRFAX SELECTBOARD

  
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Randy DeVine, Vice Chair

  
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ATTEST:  
  
Deb Woodward, Town Clerk